

**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA
MIDDLE DISTRICT**

AND

**COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF HUNTINGDON COUNTY,
PENNSYLVANIA**

IN RE: 20 th Judicial District -	:	33 MM 2020
Reinstatement and Reissuance of	:	CP-31-MD- <u>161</u> -2020
Expired Process Unable To Be Served	:	AO-21-2020
Due To Judicial Emergency	:	

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

AND NOW, this 8th day of June, 2020, pursuant to the Supreme Court's Orders of March 16, 2020, April 1, 2020, and May 27, 2020 (Nos. 531 and 532 Judicial Administration Docket), and this Court's Declaration of Judicial Emergency, issued March 16, 2020, and all extensions thereof, the Court finds and Orders as follows:

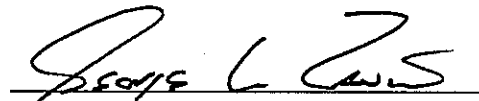
1. As directed by the Court, the Huntingdon County Sheriff suspended in-person Service of Process beginning on March 16, 2020, and resumed it on June 1, 2020.
2. During this period, writs, complaints, and notices that otherwise would have been served timely expired due to operation of Pa.R.Civ.P. 401(a). Further, writs, complaints, and notices that were filed prior to June 1, 2020, but that have not expired yet, effectively had the period for their service artificially shortened due to the suspension.
3. The expiration and anticipated near-term expiration of the above writs, complaints, and notices is the result of the Judicial Emergency, and not the actions or inactions of the Prothonotary, the Sheriff, or the plaintiffs or petitioners in the underlying actions.
4. In light of the above, the Prothonotary is hereby directed to reinstate and reissue, upon submittal thereof by the Sheriff, all unserved writs,

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complaints, and notices that expired between March 16, 2020, and June 1, 2020, as though a *praecipe* therefor had been received pursuant to Pa.R.Civ.P. 401(b). Likewise, the Prothonotary is directed to reinstate and reissue any writ, complaint, or notice that was provide to the Sheriff for service before June 1, 2020, and that has expired before it could be served (but has not already expired as of the date hereof), upon submission of same to the Prothonotary by the Sheriff.

5. For purposes of clarification, the reinstatement and reissuance directed above shall occur without the need for any action by the plaintiff or petitioner in the underlying action, as would ordinarily be required by Rule 401(b). The Court finds that this Order is necessary and appropriate in light of the Judicial Emergency, and does not unduly prejudice the defendants or respondents in the underlying actions.
6. This Administrative Order shall be effective immediately.

BY THE COURT:


George N. Zanic, President Judge

C: Irene Bizzoso, Esq., Supreme Court Prothonotary
Geoff Moulton, Court Administrator of Pennsylvania
Stacey Witlec
Kay Coons, Prothonotary/Clerk of Courts
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